

ton while standing in the field. Its season of growth is so long that it seldom matures north of latitude 30° N., but it has ripened well at the Florida and Louisiana stations. The seed, 4 to 5 pounds per acre, should be planted in hills 4 or 5 feet apart each way, about the time when cotton is planted, and the crop cultivated like corn. The greater distance should be given on the richer soils." (*S. M. Tracy.*)

2966. DIOSCOREA.

Yam.

From Barbados. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 61), 1899.

Crop or Hunt. "The most expensive yam grown in Barbados, selling for \$2 per 100 pounds. They are grown like sweet potatoes, planted as pieces of the root, one in a hill, 3 to 6 feet apart. Each root should be cut into eight pieces. No poles are needed. Planted in April and harvested in December in Barbados. Cook exactly like Irish potatoes. For Florida." (*D. G. Fairchild.*)

2967. DIOSCOREA.

Yam.

From Barbados. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 62), 1899.

Barbados Red. "This is a quicker starting variety than the 'Crop yam' (No. 2966). Grown like sweet potatoes, although considered an inferior yam as regards quality, selling here (Barbados) for only 80 cents a hundred pounds. It is worthy of trial because it is quicker to start." (*D. G. Fairchild.*)

2968. DIOSCOREA.

Yam.

From Barbados. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 63), 1899.

Lisbon. "This variety is sold at about \$1 per 100 pounds here (Barbados), and for boiling and roasting is considered to be the best in the island. Grown like Nos. 2966 and 2967, except that it is generally planted in May instead of April." (*D. G. Fairchild.*)

2969 to 2972. IPOMŒA BATATAS.

Sweet potato.

From Barbados. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 64), 1899.

"This comprises selected roots of four of the varieties of sweet potatoes which are the best grown in Barbados. The sweet potatoes of Barbados are noted throughout the West Indies, and are worthy a trial in New Jersey and Florida." (*D. G. Fairchild.*)

2969. *White Gink.* "The best shipper."

2970. *Caroline Lee.* "The sweetest."

2971. *White Sealy.* "Has short vines."

2972. *Red Sealy.*

2973. LACTUCA SATIVA.

Lettuce.

From France. Received April, 1899.

Laitue blonde d'ete. Large, white cabbage lettuce. All the year around. "This lettuce is one of the most generally cultivated, as indicated by the multiplicity of its names. It is very early; is very productive in spite of its small size, because, as the gardeners say, it is all heads. It makes a fine salad, the leaves being tender, crisp, and crinkly. This variety grows on almost all soils, and is cultivated all over the world." (*Vilmorin.*) The seed is white.

2974. LACTUCA SATIVA.

Lettuce.

From France. Received April, 1899.

Algiers.

2975. LACTUCA SATIVA.

Lettuce.

From France. Received April, 1899.

Laitue gotte lente a monter. Cabbage lettuce. Tom Thumb. Stone tennis ball. "A rather small and relatively productive variety, which heads well. It is one of the best for spring and summer; tender and of excellent quality." (*Vilmorin.*) The head is compact and well formed when grown outside, but very tender, and keeping a long time even in summer.